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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of: Gharachorloo et al.

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For: *Method and System for Query Data
Caching and Optimization in a Search
Engine System*

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

This preliminary amendment is for the application identified above. Please enter this amendment prior to examination on the merits.